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SMOKING / VAPING / eCIGARETTES

In view of the clear and convincing evidence that smoking is injurious to one's own health and that of others, St. Mary's College urges all students not to smoke.

The Tobacco (Health Promotion and Protection) Regulations 1990 prohibit the smoking of tobacco in any part of St. Mary's College, including the grounds. Passive smoking represents a real danger to the health of non-smokers.

Smoking is forbidden by law throughout all buildings and on the school property (including sports-grounds). The use of vaping products and e-cigarettes is also strictly forbidden. Selling or trading cigarettes/tobacco/vaping or e-cigarette products is strictly forbidden.

Smoking/vaping or use of e-cigarettes is also forbidden in the immediate vicinity of St. Mary's College.

The sanction for breach of this rule shall be;

- caution and contact with parent/guardian for the first offence
- a one-day suspension for the second offence
- a three-day suspension for each subsequent offence

**** Please note that the possession of drugs or alcohol for use of supply, or attendance at school under the influence of same falls under an offence which is liable for immediate expulsion as specified elsewhere in the code of behaviour ****